

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on p.7 at ln.4 with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 1C illustrates an object surface, Figure 1D illustrates a traditional semi-regular mesh representation of the object surface of Figure 1C in which the polygons thereof have high aspect ratios or stretch parameters, and Figure ~~1D~~ 1E illustrates a traditional semi-regular representation of the object surface of Figure 1C at a higher level than that of Figure 1D.